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MASSACRES IN ARMENIA

Report of the Secretary of the Pan-Presbyterian Council.

How the Sultan Came to Have Fifty Thousand Killed in the Late Tragedies-The Position of Russia and England-The Victims Betrayed to Death by Their Own Countrymen

A report of absorbing interest has been made by General Secretary G. D. Mathews, of the Pan-Presbyterian Council, now in ession in this city. The interest manifested during the meetings of the council held in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1896, in the condition of the Russian Stundists and the Armenians, led the council to instruct the general secretary to gather information in reference to these communities, to be reported to the council in Washington. He accordingly visited these countries during the last two years, and as a part of his commission he gives a graphic account of the Armenians, of whom the world has the Armenians, of whom the world has heard so much in connection with the massacres by the Turks. Mr. Mathews says:

"I put myself much into the society of Armenians and their friends, visiting their

Armenians and their friends, visiting their Catholikes in Etchmiadzin and remaining in the monastery as a guest of one of the monks for several days, and then traveling for a fortnight along the borderland of Persia and Turkey, mingling and conversing freely with Armenians, Huntchists, and others, Moslems and Kurds. Every form of what is known as the Armenian question is so affected by the history and geographical conditions of that country that some outline of the former must be kept in mind in order to form an intelli-

cent judgment regarding the matter.

The Armenians claim to be descended from Haik, the grandson of Noah. At an

from Haik, the grandson of Noah. At an early date Armenia was triangular in shape, extending from Alexandretta on the Mediterranean, to Trebizond, on the Black Sea, and from there eastward to the southern shore of the Caspian. Its people at times overflowed alike into Persia proper and into Asia Minor."

After briefly reviewing the history of Armenia from 328 B. C., down to 1604 A. D., when Shah Abbas removed some 50,090 of the people to found the city of Julfa, near Ispahan and divided the country once more between Persia and Constantinople, Mr. Matthews comes down to the present century and calls attention to Russia pushing her way southward, coming in coning her way southward, coming in con-flict on several occasions with Turkey and Persia and galaing portions of the old Ar-menian territory hitherto in the possession

of both of these powers. Highway for Hosts.

"Armenia has simply been a highway by which contending nations of the Eastern world, in remote and recent times, reached each other in war, and not infrequently was the battleground on which kingdoms were lost and won. When any of their neighbors swoojed down upon them, its people were not sufficiently strong to repel such abuse of their territory nor to main-tain their independence. The country formed a border region between two pow-erful and ever-contending empires, and while it was too large to be insignificant it was too samil to be independent, and so its dismemberment was inevitable. "The Turkish portion of Armenia occu-

ples a position that is very peculiar. It is remote from the capital of the Turkish Empire and is hardly defensible. It is a broken, mountainous region, over whose heights the Kurd, wearing today the uniform of the Sultan, though untamed as were his ancestors, the Carduchi, in the days of Xenophen, ranges as he pleases. His ancestors acted for several centuries as governors over the Armenians, and he was master of the soil. He is so no longer, but his memories of that period lead him to regard the Armenian with in-tensest scorn and to treat him only as a person fit to be robbed and murdered. The on is repaid with hate, and thus the aces are as hostile to one another as The enmity is not lessened in modern times by the Armenian calling himself

a Christian, nor by the Kurd calling him-self a Moslem, for the practical religion of both parties is very much an unknown quantity. Neither is it lessened by the fact that the nomad, filiterate, tent-occupying Kurd is often a borrower of money from the trading, house-occupying Arme-nian, who is able, according to a native proverb, 'to carve money out of stone. "While the Turks are soldlers and un-skilled in commerce, the Armenians devel-oped a surprising skill in finance. Conse-quently after they obtained the right to hold real estate, they grew rapidly rich at the expense of the Turks, lending them well-dressed man. We make Shits as low as money, taking mortgages, and in many you cought to go or as high as you care to go. to a feeling of hatred on the part of the Turks. It was not a religious hatred, so much as an economic rivalry, and it was out of this rivalry and the cruelty of the Kurds that the massacre grew.

Political Conditions.

"Here is a terrible background for hisory, which calls for the most careful study, Before us is Russia, a great and unscrupuother underhand agencies even more than the sword, and having a perfect genius for misleading and deceiving friend and for alike, bent on a forward movement and ready at a moment's notice to spring forward and occupy certain territory lest another power should gain it. Across her path lies Armenia, a country of little importance furnishing her a roadway to the south. Over this she proposes one day to march, and in view of this she has constructed at an enormous expense a railroad through southern Caucasus and connecting Tiflis and Kars. The opening of this rail-way has just taken place. The Sultan, the legal monarch of this land, is dependent on all knowledge of information given him by others. He governs his people by the roughtest of all agencies, sparing neither man, woman, nor child should their death seem required. His religion deprives him of Christian sympathy, while he sees the European powers watching for the sick man's death that they may possess them-selves of the inheritance. Then the Arme-nians—a small body of skillful traders, Christians by profession, intensely nationof their country to an independent kingdom, in a region in which her children are under the Moslems, who, estranged from their own ruler, are drawn by a strange delusion toward their northern neighbor, imagining that for their sakes, for their na-tional independence, she will face the risk of a European war, while far away in Chris-tian countries are prominent and honored men urging the interference of their re-spective governments on behalf of the Armenians as nationalists rather than as suf-

A Country of Unrest.

"These are the parties that come before us in what is called the Armenian movement, and no report on this latter would be satisfactory which does not deal with the question. 'What was it that led to these troubles or disorders among the Ar-menians that were followed with such world-condemned measures of the Sul-tan! This is the very point of my com-mission. To obtain this information I conversed with people in very different positions—with Russians, Armenians Huntchists, and persons opposed to their schemes, and with priests of the Old Gre-

Is the Hostetter's world for the Stomach world for the stomach run-down, weak, and debilitated.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

gorian Church, and with Protestant pas-tors. The substance received from such sources are more worthy of predence than are the contradictory statements of a few Invitations have been issued for the parriage of Miss Annie Montague Rice, are the contradictory statements of a few self-styled refugees living in England and obtaining their support by working on the sympathy of its people on the ground of injuries received from the hands of the Turks. Moslem rule is simply rule by brute force. It is unjust, despotic, capri-cious, and cruel alike to Jew, Moslem, and Christian. In Eastern Turkey the malad-ministration is of a peculiarly aggravated character. The long-standing emittles between the Kurds, always lawless, and the Armenians, oftimes overreaching, with daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Rice, and Mr. Melvin J. Benjamin, son of Mr. S. C. Benjamin, of Le Droit Park. The cerenony will occur Wednesday evening, October 11, at Gurley Memorial Church.

um-needing but the alightest occurrence to bring about a social and political earth-

quake.
"Such had long been its condition, when, eight years ago, without any action of the Turkish Government worse than usual.

Tried to Involve England.

"Certain Russian Armenians suddenly

ppeared at different points in Asia Mi-

quite able to deal with these troubles, while

the course of Great Britain was plain from the history and actual position of the Ar-menian people. The prospect of an Euro-pean war led her to withhold her hand, and

so the Sultan was allowed to suppress the troubles in his own way. Such is the nearest approach I can make, from the in-

formation given me, as to the origin of the troubles. The Huntchists made the trouble

troubles. The Huntchists made the trouble to secure an opening for a forward movement on the part of Russia. The very ground was drenched with the blood of their countrymen to promote Russian schemes whose success would have resulted in an European war. But the scheme failed, and hence they are now disowned by the power that had hired them.

Losses About Fifty Thousand.

the Sultan. From a Christian standpoint

or that of humanity, nothing can be said to

lessen the universal condemnation passed

lessen the universal condemnator person upon the Turkish government. Yet, from the Sultan's point of view, he had neither proscribed a people because of their religion nor enriched himself by their wealth, but simply, in necessary self-defence, inflicted on rebels and conspirators the punishment they had merited.
"No reliable computation can ever be

sands And how came it to pass that only fifteen of these heroic leaders lost their

lives despite all the carnage which their

hapless victims endured. If our sympathy has gone out to the Armenians as suffering at the hands of the Sultan, this sympathy

is increased a thousand-fold when we see how they have been fooled by their country-

exile for their patriotism and love for Ar-

Condition of the People.

people today. The storm has at present

Minor—poor, wretched, forsaken ebildren, but not necessarily orphans. The children that were eight or nine years old four or five years ago are the youths and young

women of today. In a few years all these orphans will have reached an age when they will be no longer fitting objects of

its wards for so long as they may live.

The Penalty of Misconduct.

"The last point about which I enquired

"I am no apologist for the government of

nor asserting in positive terms the obli-

The Solicitor General and Mrs. Richards, who spent the past few months in European travel have returned to their Washthe Armenians, oftimes overreaching, with another people on the border, having close relations with both classes, and ready to The Misses Maude and Edith Wetmore avail itself of local disturbances for ulterior political purposes, all combine to furnish a very tangled problem. The region is ever in condition of unstable equilibrium—needing but the alightest occurrence

left Newport for New York yesterday, and on Tuesday next they will be followed by their parents, Senator and Mrs. Wetmore, who will go to that city for a few weeks. Miss Edith Welmore will visit Mr. and Mrs. Frederick H. Allen, at Pelham Manor. Miss Maude Welmore will be the guest of Mrs. John Jacob Astor, at Rhinebeck, till the opening of the ladies' golf tournsment, which she expects to enter.

Prof. and Mrs. Theodore B. Shank, sailed for Europe last Wednesday for an ex-tended sojourn abroad.

Dr. and Mrs. Sowers have returned to Miss Emma Gray has taken possession

of her beautiful new home, 2015 Kalorama Mrs. Sarah Hunter has returned from was adopted in the nope that of the ain would interfere and engage in war with Turkey in their behalf. As one of them said to me: 'Oh, we intend yet to force her into doing so.' They built up such a hope without the slightest communication with Great Britain or assur-

The parlors of the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal Church were filled last night, de-Episcopal Church were filed last night, de-spite the inclement weather, with the mem-bers of the congregation, who held a recep-tion in honor of their pastor, Rev. Dr. Frank M. Bristol, and Mrs. Bristol, who have just

munication with Great Britain or assur-ance as to what she would do under such circumstances. Its promoters deliberately and hopelessly exposed all who took part in it to the wrath of an Eastern Moslem Mr. and Mrs. Larz Anderson will spend part of the autumn at their new in Brookline, Mass.

Mrs. F. J. Dieudonne has returned from her summer visits to Atlantic City, New York, and Philadelphia, with her family. She has located for the winter at "The Lingation of Great Britain to do as the Ar-menians wished, accompanied with some mysterious statements that if she falled in so doing Russia would come to their as-sistance. In support of these words they showed money, supplies, and magazine ri-fles made by the Russian Government and

Miss Adele Levers, of 1269 O Street northwest, late soprano soloist of the Trinf-ty Episcopal Church, Third and C Streets northwest, has returned home from her nes made by the Russian dovernment and bearing the stamp of the state factory at Tula, stamped also with a revolutionary symbol of a flag and a degger crossed. I have had in my hands some rifies so stamped. Armed with these credentials, summer outing of the past two months at Asbury Park, N. J., Philadelphia, and Bethstamped. Armed with these credentials, the Huntchists won over to their views a number of their countrymen for the making of local disturbances, the organizing of secret societies, and the aiding of the movement generally.

"At first it seemed the schemes of the Huntchists would be realized and Great Britain would interfere. When I asked what led to this Lelief they referred me to the treaty of Berlin, to the speeches of the political leaders of England, and to the words of certain high church dignitaries. Turkey room showed Russia that she was quite able to deal with these troubles, while

J. M. Balmaceda, secretary of the Chi lean Legation, is now on a visit to New York. He is a guest at the Waldorf-As-

ALEXANDRIA NEWS.

missioner Price Charged by the Mayor With Misconduct.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Sept. 30,-The recent appeal of Lieutenant Smith from the decision of Mayor Simpson, who suspended that officer for ten days for alleged dereliction of duty in failing to awake two policemen found asleep in the police station, and the subsequent action of the police commissioners in reversing the action of the mayor and restoring the lieutenant to duty with pay, has tended to widen the breach in police circles. At the session of the police commissioners on Wednesday night Commissioner Price charged the mayor with mismanagement of the police force, and Mayor Simpson alleged that Commissioner Price was guilty of miscon duct in his official capacity. Mr. Price, the mayor stated, had, in company with a member of the police force, visited certain resorts for the purpose of securing evidence against members of the police force as would lead to the dismissal of the latter. Commissioner Price did not deny having made the investigation in company with the chief of police as he had been advised that members of the force had frequented the resorts referred to, and that his action in the matter was prompted by a sense of duty. Mayor Simpson stated yesterday that he intended to remove Mr. Price from the police board if he finds that he has the power to do so. It is an open question whether a police commissioner is a State ishment they had merited.

"No reliable computation can ever be made as to the loss of Armenian life. It has been estimated at 50.000. Zealous pro-Armenians affirm it amounted to 690.000. The Armenians are now and will be for many a long year a crushed and broken people—partly through the actual losses speople—partly through the actual losses sustained, and partly by the conviction that such officer, although they are or municipal officer, although they are or municipal officer, although they are som also stated that he would not be governed by the decision of the police commissioners in restoring to Lieutenant Smith to duty, and that if an officer in charge of men, finding them asleep on duty, falls to arouse them, he will regard such officer, although they are no European power will for their sakes en-kindle an European war. Their wiser and In the Alexandria county court yester-In the Alexandria county court yest and safer course is thus to accept their situation, as a Christian people living under their by choice to make the best of it.

"The men who provoked these terrible massacres—the Huntchists—Nazarek says number many thousands, and that the Turkish police succeeded in putting fifteen. massacres—the Huntchists—Nazares may, number many thousands, and that the Turkish police succeeded in putting fifteen against whom indictments were returned. Commonwealth's Attorney Carlin has can express the folly of the Armenians and can express the folly of the Huntchists. Where to death. It this be true, then no words can express the folly of the Armenians and the wickedness of the Hunichists. Where were these many thousands when their countrymen were faling by the tens of thouleading from the Aqueduct Bridge to Ar-lington, and of the action taken by the county authorities to prevent the closing of the road. Mr. Carlin desires to know what will be the attitude of the War De-partment should further litigation result. Should the claims of the landowners be sustained by the courts, the approach from Washington to Arlington will be entirely

men now tiving in European countries and receiving support from Christian people on the ground of being refugee Armenians, in Clem Wood, of the city engineer's office, was attacked by a dog in Washington Street last evening and had his hand painfully lacerated. Mr. Wood started at one for a nearby physician, and while awaiting

was the actual condition of the Armenian It isn't the bodily sickness that hurts a man. He could stand that fairly well if his mind were easy. But Americans are busy. They have work to do—plans to make—schemes to execute. They are "plungpeople today. Inc. solds have the subsided, and some who survive may still possess a little money which they concealed from the plundering soldiery or the black-mailing Huntchists. These men are now gathering themselves together again, and are engaging in their little business, aided by the missionaries. For these men Chrisers." They line up their incomes as as they receive them or re-invest them with the idea of increase. They cannot afford to be sick. Sickness is a calamityby the missionaries. For these men Chris-

tian sympathy and encouragement are needed, while the missionary on the ground may be safely trusted with money to help those whose lives were spared, but who lost help ical one. So the to lost sick man worries, "The great class of the community con-sists of the sorrowing widows and orphans sists of the sorrowing widows and orphans a legacy to humanity. Here there is a grows.

large field for Christian philanthropy. The widow has to be helped to earn her bread widow has to be helped to earn her bread good thing at the widow her bread good thing at the widow has the widow has the widow her bread good thing at the widow her bread good thing at the widow her bread good thing at the widow has the widow her bread good the widow her bre widow has to be helped to earn aer oread, and there are few ways of doing this in the East. Needlework was formerly used to add some little additional comforts to time. The way has bethe home life, but now, when it has be-

the home life, but now, when it has become the sole support, it has to be sold in Europe, and freights and tariffs cut deeply into the proceeds, leaving but scanty sums for the worker. For these there are no bright outlook in any direction and their sorrow will cease only when memory ceases to act.

"So also there are many children in Asia Minor—poor, wretched, forsaken children, but not necessarily orphans. The children but not necessarily orphans. The children builder on earth. It cures rheumatism minute you is the greatest blood purifier and tissue builder on earth. It cures rheumatism and all other blood diseases by curing the cause. It purifies the blood and puts the blood making organs into good, healthy, working order. It tones up the stomach, stirs up the liver, helps the kidneys in their work and puts suffering nerves at rest. It contains no whisky, alcohol, opium or other dangerous drugs and does not, therefore, create a craving for stimulants or narcotics.

eleemosynary help. The case of the wid-ow is different. There hardly seems any limit possible when help will not be re-quired for them. All that they can do for themselves is so trifling that it would appear as if humanity must take them as stimulants or narcotics. James E. Crampton, Esq. of Sharpsburg, Washington Co., Md., writes: "I was in business in Baltimore, and had rheumatism for three months; couldn't walk at all. I tried the best doctors I could get but they did me no good. I took three bottles of Dr. Fierce's Wolden Medical Discovery and It cined me sound. I came home to Sharpsburg and there were three cases of different diseases. I advised the patients to use Dr. Fierce's medicine which they did, and all were cured. I have sold over one hundred dollars' worth of your medicine by telling people how it cired me. You can write to our druggist, Mr. G. F. Smith. in our town and he will tell you what I did for you in reg. rd to selling and advertising your great remedies." Laura Day, a colored woman, drew a arge crowd yesterday afternoon by her boisterous conduct on Factory Hill northwest. She was intoxicated and when the nan atempted to arrest her she threw

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the arrival of the doctor, he was again attacked by the dog. It is believed that the animal is suffering from rables. Mr. Wood will probably go to the Pasteur Institute fer treatment.

The contributions to the sesqui-center. nial fund yesterday were \$93.50, making a

THE RACE OF CAGOTS.

nch People Who Are Despi by Their Neighbors. (From the Cornhill Magazine.)

total to date of \$2,944.

The first historical mention, of the Cagots dates from about the eleventh century. Their origin is very uncertain, as
several authors have pet theories on the
subject, which all amount in the end to
very much the same thing—pure surmise.
What was a Cagot? Was he a foreigner;
was he an atheist? Nothing of the kind. He was a Frenchman, a good Catholic, ex-actly as others were. What was the mat-ter with him, then? He was a Cagot. One is reminded of the old rhyme of Dr. Fell. There was dislike, but no reason. When one knows no real reason, the obvious course is to invent one, or several, and this is what the pure race, as they called themselves, did. First and foremost, they said the Cagots were lepers—that they descended, in fact, from Gehazi, and that therefore they were an accursed race. • • It was had enough to be a leper, even without the outward and visi-ble signs, but there was a great deal more to be said against the Cagots. Their breath was detestable and poisonous; they had no lobe to their cars; they were born with tails, which their Canning mothers instantly pinched off; their skin was whiter, their hair fairer, their eyes bluer than a good Frenchman's had any right to be. They were sorcerers and warlocks; they had the evil eye; the unnatural heat of their body was such that if a Cagot held some grass or fruit in his hand it dried up and withered, and even in winter he could bear no covering on his bed. They were specially licentious, hot tem-pered, covetous, haughty, anfully proud, and pretentious. At certain phases of the moon their skin became red and scaly, moon their sain became red and scary, obliging them to use a decoction of ivy leaves with which to bathe it. The moon was also responsible for a kind of deli-rium which seized on the Cagots, causing them to rush wildly about as if they were mad. These outbreaks were called the

Neapolitan tarantella. Neapolitan tarantella.

All these facts proved that the Cagots were dangerous and terrible people, who must not be allowed to consider themselves equal to their purer brethren, but must be constantly reminded of their inferior concould not be closed to them, but the priests forced them to enter the holy place by a separate door, so low that the accursed ones were forced to bend their heads to pass through. There was a special Cagot pass tarough. There was a special Cagot holy water stoop, and an imaginary line or boundary in the church, across which no Cagot might venture. The consecrated wafer was held out to them on a long wooden fork by the priest standing on his own side of the boundary. No priest would receive the confession of a Cagot, although these poor people seem to have been most anxious to perform their religious duties. The church never appears to have tried to soften their hard lot; on the contrary, the priests were careful to prevent the curse that weighed upon them from falling into abeyance. Even so late as the eighteenth century we read that a seigneur of Lourdes having insisted upon marrying a Cagot, his brother, who was cure of Lourbes, had his estates confiscated, by virtue of an old law which reduced anyons marrying a Cagot to

the same condition. To this day the deaccendants of this couple are peasants.

It took five Cagots to witness against one "pure" man. They were obliged to wear a piece of cloth sewn on the front of their dress; in some parts this was shaped like a duck's foot, and was either red or yellow. They had to eat the meat condemned as bad in the markets, a privilege which they seem to have shared with the lepers, to whom they were so constantly and so un-justly likened, for we find in an old statute of the time of Robert III of Scotland the following pleasing provision. "It is stat-ute, that if any man brings to the market corrupt swine or salmond to be sauld, they salbe taken to the Baillies; and incontinent without any question, salbe send to the Lipper folk. • • and gif there be no Lipper folk, they salbe destroyed alluterlia."

A Friend of Goethe New Living.

(From the London Chronicle.)

Among the few Goethe veterans who knew and conversed with the poet, born a century and a half ago, is the Widow Castner, now in hereighty-seventh year. She was a pupil in 1823 and 1824 at the town school for girls in Weimar, and the pretty custom of that institution was that the four best scholars of each year should call upon Goethe, offer their concratulations on his birthday, and present him with four bouquels, arranged on four plates, with a lemon set in the midst of the flowers. The venerable poot received his young visitors with stately cordiality, shook hands with each in turn, asked them a few questions as to their scholastic progress, and heard them recite a short poem. Then the flowers were collected in a basket, and the lemons placed on a tray by the major-dome, who gave back the plates to the girls with a small coin apiece. Frau Castner scians vivid impressions of the ecremony, for she had the honor of taking part in it twice.

Dysentery Qu'ckly Cured.

"Last summer I had an attack of dysentery," says Mr. J. A. Kelly, the well-known merchant of Henderson, N. C. "I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy, which I used according to directions and with entirely satisfactory results. The trouble was controlled much quicker than former attacks when I used other remedies." This is the most successful medicine in the world for bowel complaints and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by Henry Evans. safe to take. For sale by Henry Evans, wholesale and retail, and all druggists.



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A Plan That Failed

(From the Detroit Free Press.) "It's a sad story," said the drummer, as he counted up his available cash. "My iden was to say nothing about it, but I under stand that the other fellow is going aroun telling the story as a joke on me, and I might as well give my side of the story for the truth is bad enough without hav-ing it exaggerated.

"One night last week I found myself obliged to put up for the night at a little country hotel some miles west of here. It was a chilly evening, and several loungers were losting in the barroom matching pen-nies to kill time. They were as much in-terested over it as though millions were at stake, and it gave me a tired feeling to watch them.
"There was another drummer, a friend of

mine, who was doomed to pass the high mine, who was documen to pass the night at the place, and suddenly I was seized with a bright idea. I had collected a bill for my house for \$50, and had chanced to be paid in \$5 gold pieces. I got my

morning, at which time he gently fined us \$25 apiece, and confiscated the evidence to

pay the fine.
"If I ever try to be funny again I hope ome one will kick me!

Compulsory Arbitration. (From the Philadelphia Ledger.)

Compulsory arbitration is possible only where there is a power strong crough to make it compulsory. As regards the greater nations, that power does not exist. Therefore, Commissioner White takes very strong ground when he declares compulsory arbitration impracticable, and is correct in thinking that, since the Peace Conference established some sort of an international agreement for voluntary arbitration, it was outer as

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